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PART I

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

CHIEF SECRETARIAT

Assignment of Duties connected with the conduct of elections to Local Bodies

OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

No. CH.S. 10158-257—G.E. 150-53-1, DATED BANGALORE, THE 14TH OCTOBER 1953.

At present the duties connected with the conduct of elections to Village Panchayets and District Boards in the State are being attended to by the Commissioner for Local Self-Government and the Secretary to Government concerned with this item of work is the Secretary to Government, Local Self-Government and Planning Departments. It is proposed to make use of the expert knowledge of the Chief Electoral Officer for the conduct of elections to the local bodies also. The duties in this behalf are therefore entrusted to him with immediate effect. It is also directed that at the Secretariat level the Joint Secretary to Government, Elections, will be directly in charge of this item of work.

2. The Chief Electoral Officer and *Ex-Officio* Joint Secretary to Government, Elections, will consult the Commissioner for Local Self-Government and the

Secretary to Government, Local Self-Government and Planning Departments, on all important questions relating to conduct of elections to the local bodies.

3. The Commissioner for Local Self-Government, the Deputy Commissioners of Districts and other officers connected with the local bodies are requested to extend their full co-operation to the Chief Electoral Officer and Joint Secretary to Government, Elections, in the discharge of his new duties.

N. PUTTARANGASWAMY,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Directs that Procurement of Paddy by Government during 1953-54 harvest season may be made on a voluntary basis from growers only at a fixed price.

READ—

Correspondence ending with letter No. Camp 1/53-54, dated the 18th October 1953, from the Director of Food Supplies in Mysore, forwarding the proceedings of the Meeting of the Deputy Commissioners of Districts held on 18th October 1953 at Mysore under the Chairmanship of the Minister for Home and Industries, regarding the policy of procurement of paddy for 1953-54 in the Mysore State.

ORDER No. S.D. 6446-57—C. 96-53-15, DATED BANGALORE, THE 9TH NOVEMBER 1953.

The policy of procurement of foodgrains for 1953-54 in the Mysore State was liscussed at the meeting of the Deputy Commissioners of Districts held on 18th October 1953 at Mysore under the Chairmanship of the Minister for Home and ndustries. The Deputy Commissioners of Districts stated that in view of the avourable seasonal conditions, the harvest of paddy this year will be a good one, nd there were already indications of a possible steep fall in the price at which addy may be transacted in the open market after the harvest. In the context of failure of crops in the previous years, it would not be desirable to allow the open narket prices to go down to uneconomic levels. In the peculiar circumstances of his year, it is considered necessary that a minimum economic price is guaranteed o the producer. With this end in view, Government consider it necessary to rocure paddy during 1953-54 harvest season and the purpose of a minimum uaranteed price would be best served by a system of voluntary purchase of paddy y Government at a fixed price. Government have therefore decided—

(1) that there would be no procurement of millets,
(2) that purchase of paddy may be on a voluntary basis from growers only, and
(3) that the price of I variety of paddy be reduced to Rs. 22 (Rupees twenty-two) per palla, and that of II variety of paddy to Rs. 20 (Rupees twenty) per palla.

The Government of India have approved the above procurement scheme and rocurement prices of paddy.

The Director of Food Supplies in Mysore is requested to make immediate ecessary arrangements to give effect to the above decision.

N. PUTTARANGASWAMY,
Chief Secretary to Government.

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT

Orders deletion of Provisions pertaining to District Funds and Village Panchayet Funds contained in Articles 366 to 375 of the Mysore Financial Code.

EAD—

Letter No. 234—C.S.A., dated the 14th September 1953, from the Controller, State Accounts epartment, Bangalore, stating that the rules relating to finance and accounts contained in the ysore Village Panchayets and District Boards Act, 1952, will be incorporated in the revised lition of the Mysore District Board Accounts Manual when the same is issued in print, by the sue of correction slips thereto.

G.O. No. FL. (B) 10232-45—C.R. 17-53-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 2ND NOVEMBER 1953.

As the rules relating to finance and accounts contained in the Mysore Village anchayets and District Boards Act, 1952, are to be incorporated in the District oard Accounts and Village Panchayet Manuals, the existing provisions pertaining